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ond-class matter.

Bull Fights and Base Ball.

Bull fighting is the national sport in Spain. In the United States it is base ball.

In Spain every one goes to see the matadore vanquish the bull, from the king down to the humblest citizen. It is a gala day, and the matadore is a national hero.

In this country large numbers of people go to the ball games, from the office boy down to the head of the firm. The electric wires flash the result to the entire nation.

The bull fight is clean, even if it is gory. Graft apparently has not entered into the sport, as the matadore could hardly "throw" the fight in favor of the bull without having his insides tossed all over the arena from the horns of the pain-maddened animal.

But base ball, the American national game?

Honest lovers of the sport are sick, nauseated, holding their noses from the stench of the graft that is creeping in.

What will future championship pennants mean?

To the public they will be decorated with the emblem of the almighty dollar—the dirty dollar of graft—indicating that some Judas of the diamond has sunk his honor in iniquity and thrown the game for a filthy mess of gambler besmirched potage.

Unless the base ball world can be thoroughly and effectively purged of these grafting traitors, and the honest players protected from suspicion, we might well consign the ball and bat to oblivion and import a few bulls and matadores from ancient Spain.

The sport would be slippery with the blood of the vanquished, but the public would at least know that the laurels of the victor were honestly won.

The old practice of going about with a chip on one's shoulder has about died out. Too much danger of profiteers getting the chip.

We confidently look for a heavy increase in the male vote at the November election. No spirited man wants to have his neighbors chuckling over the thought that he had to stay at home and mind the kids while his wife did the voting.

Don't slip through life at too strenuous a pace. You may slip a cog and slip out at the same speed.

If given their choice between a life of happiness and one of sorrow, some people would be so greedy they would want both.

No matter how the election goes in November, there will still be a hundred million people left who are willing to work or be worked. We'll get along.

With the advent of suffrage the henpecked husband should breathe a profound sigh of relief. Women will be too busy settling the intricate problems of state to waste time on the minor affairs of life.

Brains are of little value, unless a fellow has common sense enough to apply them.

Good Roads

Richmond, Oct. 7.—Before a distinguished gathering of state and city officials and members of the largest and most representative organizations of Richmond, "Virginia's New Hour," the five reel motion picture produced to aid the cause of better highways in the state, was shown here Monday night for the first time.

The meeting was under the auspices of the Kiwanis Club, which will sponsor the good road roads campaign in Richmond leading up to the vote on the roads amendment on November 2. Governor Westmoreland Davis, Mayor George Ainslie, of Richmond, Commissioner of Agriculture Komer and other state and city officials were present at the premier exhibition. Several prominent men spoke briefly on the roads amendment.

Beginning this week, the picture will be shown in theatres, school houses and meeting places throughout the state in the interest of better highways. The production was made by the Virginia Good Roads Association at a cost of nearly \$20,000 and is said to be the finest state good roads picture ever made. The use of portable electric lighting equipment will permit the showing of the picture in the rural districts of the state to the farmers, who are more interested in better roads than any other one class in the state.

More than 2,000 Virginians appear in the picture, which shows the educational, agricultural, commercial and industrial beauties of Virginia against a background of highway development. Stress is laid upon the fact that the state has progressed as far as it can on disconnected and partially improved roads and shows that a point has been reached in the development of the Old Dominion where the losses caused by bad roads are far greater than the cost of a State Highway System.

Commissioner of Highways George P. Coleman has declared that this system can be built in six years without increasing taxes one penny if the state is enabled to issue bonds for highway construction. The good roads amendment to the Constitution permitting this to be voted on at the election on November 2. Widespread endorsement of this amendment has been given and hundreds of the most prominent men in the state are working for its passage.

Follow Health Rules and Avoid Diphtheria.

Richmond, Oct. 8.—"Banish the common drinking cup and you will have gone a long way toward getting rid of diphtheria and scarlet fever." This is the message that the State Board of Health is sending broadcast throughout Virginia now when the schools are reopening and the season for those diseases is approaching.

The Health Department appreciates that there has been a very marked improvement in the situation relating to the diseases named above as well as other of the so-called nonspray-borne type; but there is still room for improvement. As has been repeatedly stated by the State Board of Health these diseases can not be acquired except by the transfer of secretions from the sick to the well; and by the "sick" is not necessarily meant those who show signs of illness, since many carry the germs of disease and yet exhibit no symptoms.

Among the means of transfer, the common drinking cup ranks as the chief; and that is why the board is urging its abolishment. It is perfectly simple to fasten drinking socket where there is running water and it is not so difficult to attach these to pumps. The Health Board does not want to see any school close this year because of an epidemic of diphtheria; and it feels that with no common drinking cup this disaster is not apt to occur.

Time was when most any kind of a nobleman could pick up an American heiress merely by indicating his willingness to accept her along with her "dough." Now, however, hand some chauffeurs are much more popular than ordinary dukes, princes and counts.

East Stone Gap

Birthday Party.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Williams, of Big Stone Gap, was the scene of an enjoyable party, Wednesday evening, October 6, when Miss Orene Gilly, sister of Mrs. Williams, entertained in honor of her birthday. The guests began to arrive at eight o'clock and from that time until eleven, there was not a dull moment. Music and games made the time pass all too quickly. At ten o'clock the guests were ushered into the dining room, where a beautifully decorated table greeted the eyes of all. In the center, the lovely birthday cake, beautiful in its snowy whiteness held away over all the delicious refreshments. The color scheme of pink, white and chocolate, was successfully carried out in the ices, cake and home made candy. Later in the evening, fruits were served. At eleven o'clock the party reluctantly made their way toward the cars which brought them, bidding the hostess good night, and wishing her many happy returns of the day.

Miss Gilly, who is a senior in the East Stone Gap High School, was voted a most charming hostess, and the many beautiful birthday gifts, she received, attested her popularity.

NOTICE!

On account of the revival services at the Baptist church this week, the entertainment which was to have been given October 16 has been postponed till October 23. Please remember the date and admission—15 and 25 cents.

Revival Services.

There will be revival services at the Baptist church each night this week by Rev. Haley, evangelist. Come and help to make this a great victory for God and His church. The first sermon was preached Sunday morning. This was an especially good sermon, brief and to the point, sound, logical reasoning; being used to show what kind of church God can use.

The order in church is good, and those who come away, are so pleased and interested that they bring others to hear the good sermons. Everybody likes to hear something true and interesting and surely a man of God is among us, so come and help all you can.

The lecture, with slides given by Rev. Batts Thursday night was very much enjoyed. Although not very well advertised it was well attended and a neat little sum was realized.

The entertainment has been postponed, but never mind about that, it will be all the better when it does come. There will be music, plenty of it, string music, six pieces, solos, quartettes, duets, choruses and drills. You won't be disappointed, so come October 16—15c and 25c

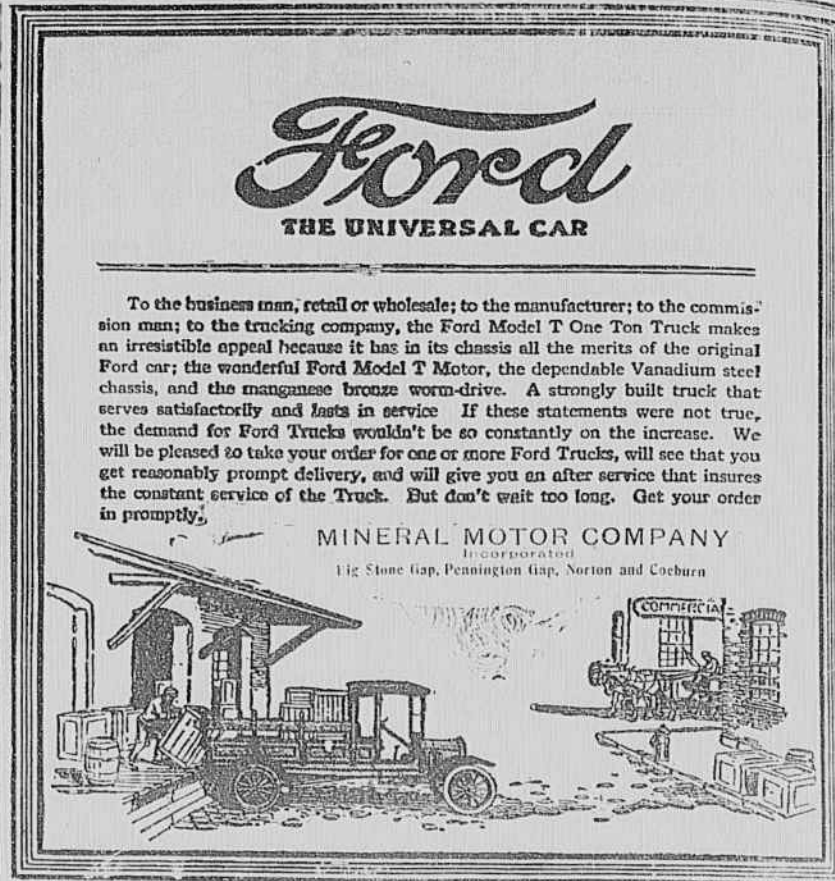
Miscellaneous Shower for Miss Bailey.

Mrs. Robt. B. Alsover was the hostess of a beautifully planned party and miscellaneous shower at her home last Wednesday afternoon from three thirty to six o'clock complimentary to Miss Janet Bailey, a bride to be.

The color scheme for the wedding of green and yellow was used effectively in the decorations of the lower floor of the home by autumn flowers.

At the close of the afternoon prizes were awarded to Mrs. R. B. Tinsley and Mrs. Proctor Brown. A pair of silk hose was given Miss Bailey, the honoree. Misses Ruth Smith and Evelyn Alsover assisted Mrs. Alsover at the close of the afternoon in presenting the shower of many useful gifts to Miss Bailey and later in serving a delicious salad course followed by an ice course and coffee to the guests.

Among those present at this honor event were: Mesdames E. J. Prescott, J. M. Goodloe, R. B. Tinsley, J. O. Smith, E. E. Goodloe, B. E. Rhoads, H. L. Lane, J. B. Wampler, M. K. Kelly, Otis Mouser, Will Goodloe, Karl Stoehr, Garrett Scott, Geo. L. Taylor, Proctor Brown, T. R. Cochran, B. F. Warner, J. H. Mathews, Jas. R. Taylor, Sally A. Bailey, I. O. Taylor and Miss Janet Bailey.



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Ex-Service Men Due Victory Medal.

Appalachia, Va., Oct. 6.—Every exservice man that has an honorable discharge from any branch of the service is due a Victory Medal, and will be issued one when application is made. Applications for these medals can be filed with the Henry N. Tate Post of the American Legion, at Appalachia, Va., and the medals will be mailed direct to the applicant from Washington, D. C., within a few days after the application is filed. It is absolutely necessary that we have your discharge in order that a copy can be made.

Any men that are due these medals and wish to file application through this post can do so after October 15th by calling at the post club room over Fuller's store at Appalachia, Va. We can also furnish blanks for reinstating your government insurance, will also be glad to fill them in. Any man that has not been discharged longer than eighteen months can reinstate by paying two months' premiums, and the men that have been discharged longer than eighteen months can reinstate on liberal conditions. You can get most any kind of insurance desired.

W. B. PETERS,
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SAM F. DICKERSON,
Secretary.

The public doesn't seem to be able to work up any fearful sympathy for the gamblers who got stung in the baseball scandal, but at the same time it would like to see crooked players placed where they belong—behind straight bars. The national game is in a fair way to be regarded with suspicion by every honest person.

The full dinner pail is no longer a slogan in our national elections. Nothing short of a complete dining car service would satisfy the average voter of today.

There's a very charming lady in this community who once, when slightly peeved, declared that there is never anything in this sheet worth reading. Some of these days we are going to run a nice, genteel, complimentary notice about herself. And then—but it's woman's prerogative to change her mind without notice.

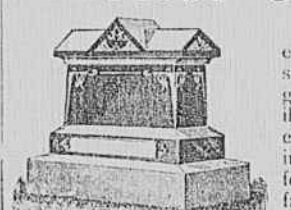
There is one crop in this country which never becomes extinct. The defeated candidate is always able to produce an alibi.

We Americans, in common with other peoples, are living in a restless age. Before the world war all Europe slept on a volcano, dreading the day when the thunders of eruption would be heard. That eruption came almost in the twinkling of an eye, bathed two countries in the blood of millions of men, drove kings and emperors from their gilded thrones, reduced aristocrats from affluence to poverty, turned the world topsy-turvy, and made civilization a mockery and a byword. Release from the privations endured by war, instead of sobering humanity, seems to have turned its head. Profiteers are legion and profligate spenders are even more numerous. Prodigality has swept us into a sea of uncertainty and conjecture from which not even the wisest ones can tell how or when we will emerge. We are up in the air, knowing not which way to turn, or whether to turn or stand still, forge ahead or mark time. It is a condition calculated to produce even the most aggravating form of restlessness in a people accustomed from our early days to a sane and simple existence.

Why lament the fact that you are not rich? If we had a million we would always be wanting something that it would take two millions to buy.

The fellow who is too indifferent to vote can now remain at home and wash dishes while his wife goes to the polls and performs her duty as a citizen.

Honor the Dead



The custom adopted by present civilization is by erecting suitable Memorials to their graves. There is no more drearily or gloomier sight than a sunken, neglected grave, grown up in weeds and briars. The world forgets the words, "Honor thy father and mother, that thy days may be long." All do not do it wilfully. Putting it off, and waiting for spare money, is often the cause. It is unwise to put up Grave Markers above your means. The fact that you have remembered the grave of your departed stands for itself. Under the present system of from manufacturer direct to you, prices of Memorials have been reduced to such a low point that their cost is in reach of all.

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Notary Public for Wise County, Va.
(Seal)
My commission expires Dec. 29, 1924.

When you feel that it is unwise to tell even a part of the truth you might compromise by telling the whole of it.

An exchange remarks that this year the nation's birthday was not only safe and sane, but dry and dusty. It was.

When a politician coyly remarks that he is in the hands of his friends it is time to begin delving into the records of those friends.